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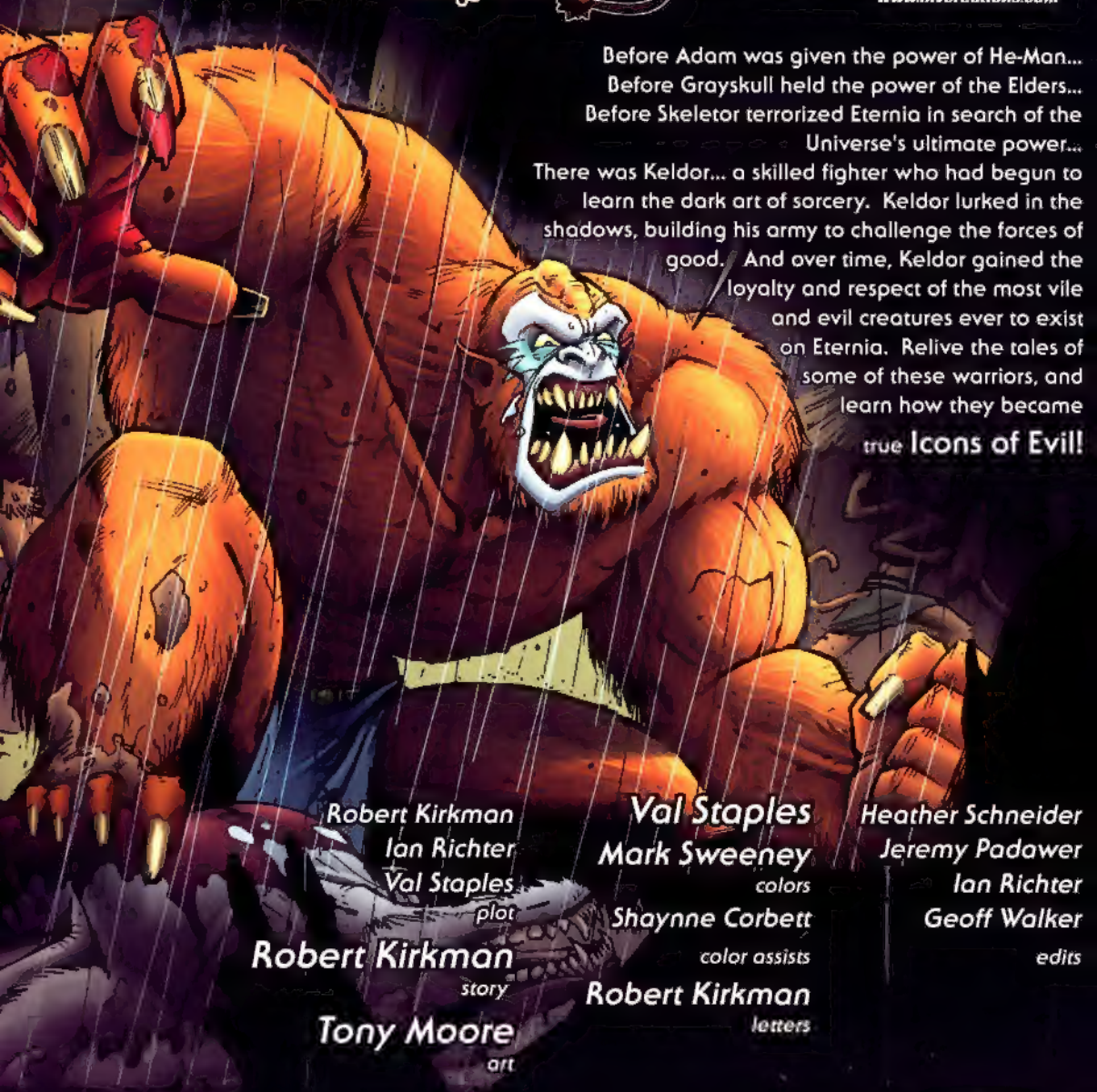

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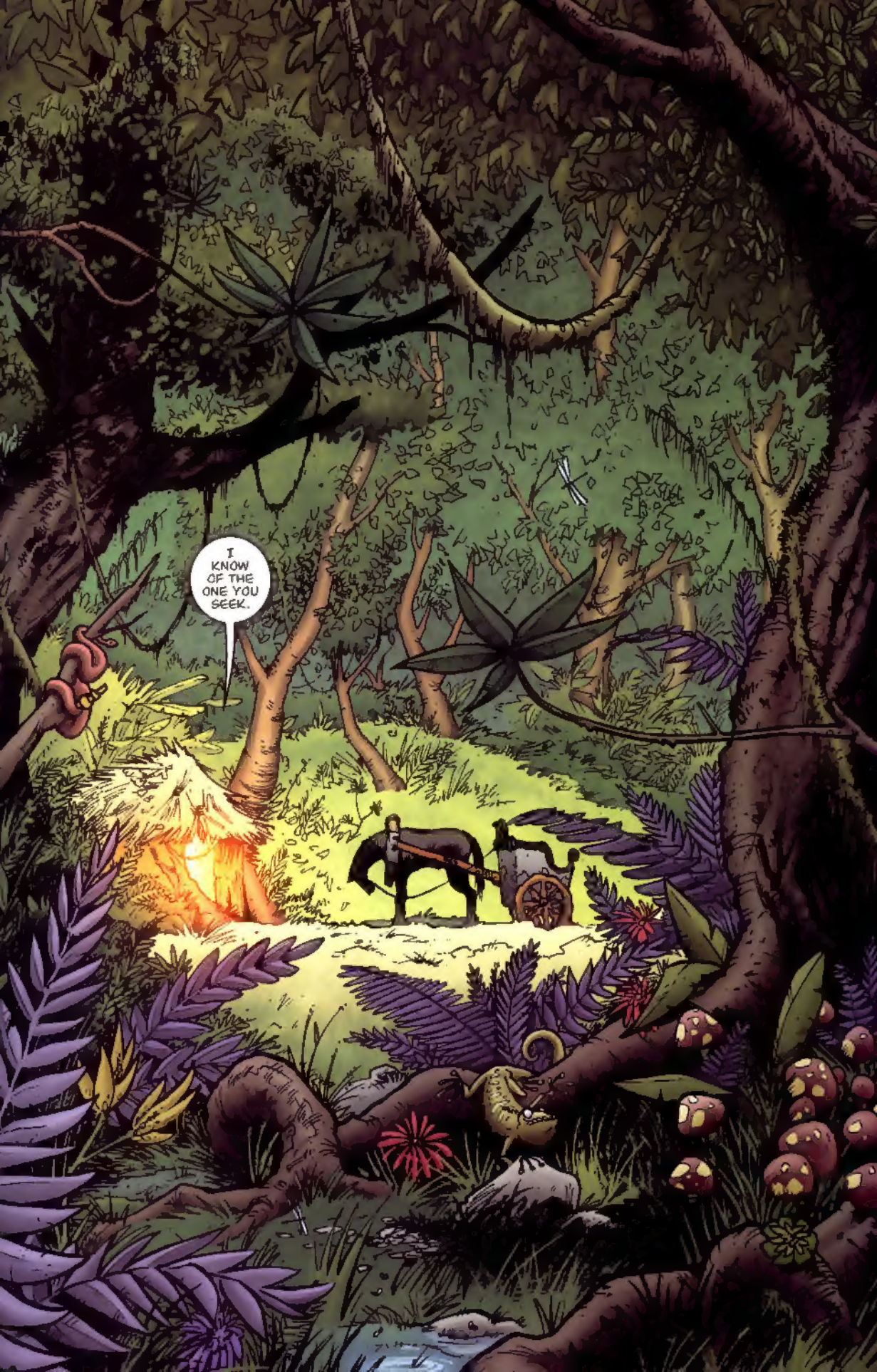
I KNOW OF THE ONE YOU SEEK.

HOW COULD YOU POSSIBLY KNOW WHO I SEEK? I AM NOT LOOKING FOR ANY PERSON IN PARTICULAR, ONLY ONE SAVAGE AND STRONG ENOUGH TO AID IN MY CONQUESTS.
I'LL NOT ABIDE ANY CHEAP PARLOR TRICKS, OLD MAN. I AM A MASTER OF THE DARK ARTS MYSELF.
YES... I SEE THAT ONE DAY YOUR POWERS WILL BE EQUAL TO NONE... BUT THAT DAY IS YET TO PASS.
PLEASE, PEER INTO MY VISION POOL AND THE ONE YOU SEEK WILL BECOME CLEAR TO YOU.
IF THIS IS A TRICK, SHAMAN... YOU'LL PAY DEARLY.
FEAR NOT MY BETRAYAL, YOUR DOUBT IS UNFOUNDED. LOOK BEFORE YOU WITH EASE--YOU WILL BE PLEASED WITH WHAT YOU SEE.

MOST IMPRESSIVE INDEED.
I TRUST HE IS TO YOUR LIKING.
OH, YES...

...HE WILL DO NICELY.

NOW, TELL ME HOW TO FIND THIS CREATURE!
ONE DOES NOT SPEAK SO LIGHTLY OF BETRAYAL IF HE IS NOT INTIMATELY FAMILIAR WITH IT. YOU WILL KNOW HOW TO FIND HIM ONCE I AM PAID.
WHAT YOU HAVE SEEN HAS NOT YET COME TO PASS. FOLLOW THE SETTING SUN TO THE VILLAGE IN THE WEST AND YOUR PATHS WILL CROSS. BE ON GUARD AT ALL TIMES... CROSSING PATHS WITH THOSE AS FEROCIOUS AS THE ONE YOU SEEK DOES NOT ALWAYS RESULT IN TRIUMPH... OFTEN, QUITE THE OPPOSITE.
YOUR MERE PRESENCE AMONG MY TALISMANS AND ARTIFACTS WILL BOOST WHAT LITTLE POWERS YOU HAVE FOR A MATTER OF DAYS.
EXPECT TO USE THIS POWER BOOST ON YOUR QUEST.
YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED.

SPLENDID.

HELLO, STRANGER. CARE FOR A DRINK?
I SUPPOSE MY MISSION COULD AFFORD A SMALL DETOUR.
LEAD ON.

SHKRAASH!!
SHE'S MINE!!

SPARE ME.
FWOOSH!
I HAVE MUCH MORE IMPORTANT TH NGS TO DO
RAARGH!!
FOOL! YOU TRY MY PATIENCE!!
AACK!!
WHA--?

ROAARR!!

MY, YOU ARE A VICIOUS CREATURE, AREN'T YOU? I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT I COULD HAVE EVENTUALLY BESTED HIM ON MY OWN, BUT YOU SAVED ME THE TROUBLE
OH YES . YOU'RE PERFECT YOU'LL BE OF GREAT USE TO ME IN ALL MY FUTURE CONQUESTS. YOU'LL MAKE A NICE ADDITION TO MY ARMY IT'S JUST A SIMPLE MATTER OF LEARNING HOW TO CONTROL YOU... YES, THAT WILL BE THE TRICK.
IN TIME, SAVAGE BEAST, YOU WILL BECOME ONE OF MY GREATEST ASSETS
I'LL TASTE YOUR FLESH INSTEAD.

RAAHH!
SO BE IT.

VZZAACK!!
HAVE IT YOUR WAY, ANIMAL!
DOOM!
I THINK YOU UNDERESTIMATE ME

VZACKT!!
CHOOM!
ARRGH!!
YOU'RE GOING TO WISH YOU NEVER CAME HERE
YOU-- DON'T KNOW WHAT FORCES YOU

SKRAASH!
THRA-KAASH!
SHRA-TAASH!
BRAKKA-KA-RASH!

FWUMP!
SLSSHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH!!
THOOM!
GRRR!!

THAT WAS A FATAL MISTAKE, MAN-BEAST
THAT'S BEAST MAN
NOT FOR LONG.

TEK.
ВА-ШООБН!
CRASH!
FOOL...

. YOU FACE KELDOR, MASTER OF THE DARK ARTS
YOU WILL TREMBLE BEFORE ME
NOW. .
SWEAR YOUR--
RAARGH!!
NO ONE CAN DEFEAT BEAST MAN!
THWACK!
DOOM.DOOM.DOOM.DOOM.DOOM!

THOK!
DOOM!
DOOM!
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THOK!
GRRRAH?!
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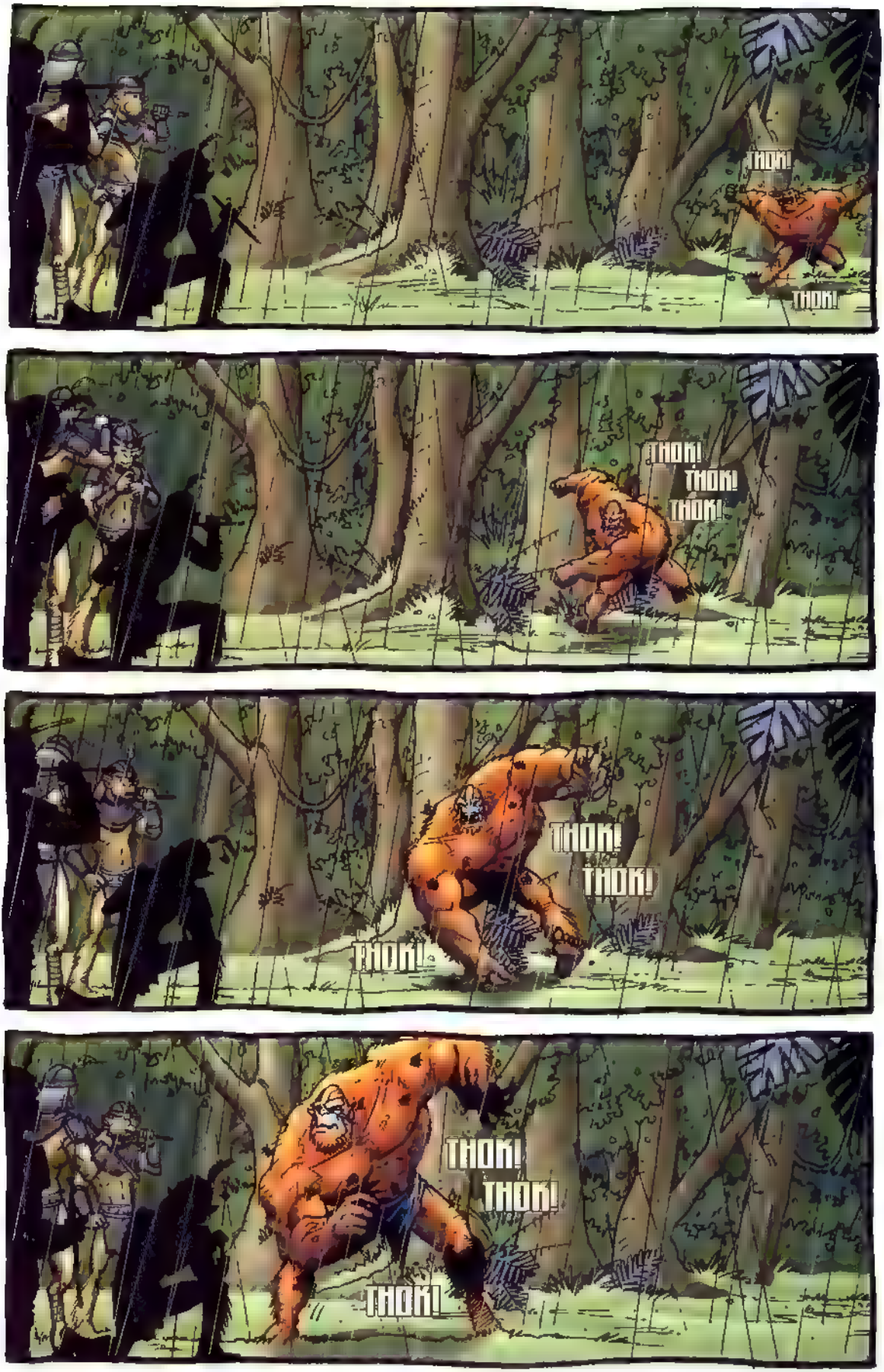
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THUD!
THOK!
BEAST MAN FALL. OUR KING BE PROUD
HE MAKE GOOD FEAST!
BRING OTHER TOO, HE MAKE KING'S DESERT

CAREFUL NOT BRUISE KING HATE BRU SED MEAT

UGH.
LOOK WHAT YOU'VE DONE NOW WE BOTH D E
WHERE ARE WE, ANIMAL?
YOU ARE IN THE KINGDOM OF TR NOK, RULER OF ALL THE BERSERK ISLANDS. YOU ARE TO BE THE FEAST AT HIS GRAND FESTIVAL TON GHT

WHAT?!
YOU... ARE TO BE . PREPARED BEFORE HIM... AS PART OF THE FESTIVAL. . IN A FEW... MINUTES.
WHAT OF T, BEAST MAN? IS THIS A FATE YOU WISH FOR YOURSELF?
WHY DO YOU CARE? YOU SHOULD BE HAPPY THAT I DIE TOO.
MAYBE YOU'LL GET LUCKY AND THEY WILL COOK ME FIRST
NO, MY GOAL IS TO RECRUIT YOU, NOT TO KILL YOU.
NOW YOU WILL SERVE ME BECAUSE YOU HAVE NO CHOICE. TOGETHER WE CAN ESCAPE THIS, WITHOUT ME YOU WILL DIE

THE CHOICE IS YOURS, BEAST MAN LIFE OR DEATH...
UP, WORMS! TIME HAS COME
SKRAGG!
CLANGG!

SKROOM!
COME ON! BEFORE THEY KNOW WE'VE ESCAPED!
HOW DO WE GET OUT OF HERE?
I IS NOT MY CASTLE
THIS WAY!
GULPS

KILL THEM!
NOW WHAT?
WE KILL THEM.

QUICK! HIT THE R REINFORCEMENTS BEFORE THEY OVERTAKE US!
THRAGG!
KRACK!!

SIR.. NO!
RAHH!
GRRRR!

FRAGGA-WOOSH!
DOOM!
=GULP=
THUD!

THAT SHAMAN WASN'T KIDDING.
NO PLEASE!
FOLLOW ME.

NOW! BEFORE THEY REGROUP!

HEAR ME.
HEAR ME!
THE ONE KNOWN AS BEAST MAN AND THE STRANGE ONE AT HIS SIDE, THE SLAYERS OF KING TRINOK... MUST DIE!
TO THE ONE WHO BRINGS ME THEIR HEADS GOES UNTOLD OF RICHES... AND A HERO'S CEREMONY!
YOU HAVE YOUR ORDERS... NOW GO!

YOU HAVE CHOSEN WISELY. WITH YOUR KING DEAD AND YOUR PEOPLE HUNTING YOU, YOU KNOW THIS CAN NO LONGER BE YOUR HOME
THERE IS NOWHERE TO TURN, BEAST MAN YOU WILL SERVE ME, OR DIE
IF WE HURRY, WE CAN REACH THE WATER BY NIGHTFALL

LEAD ON..
MY MASTER.

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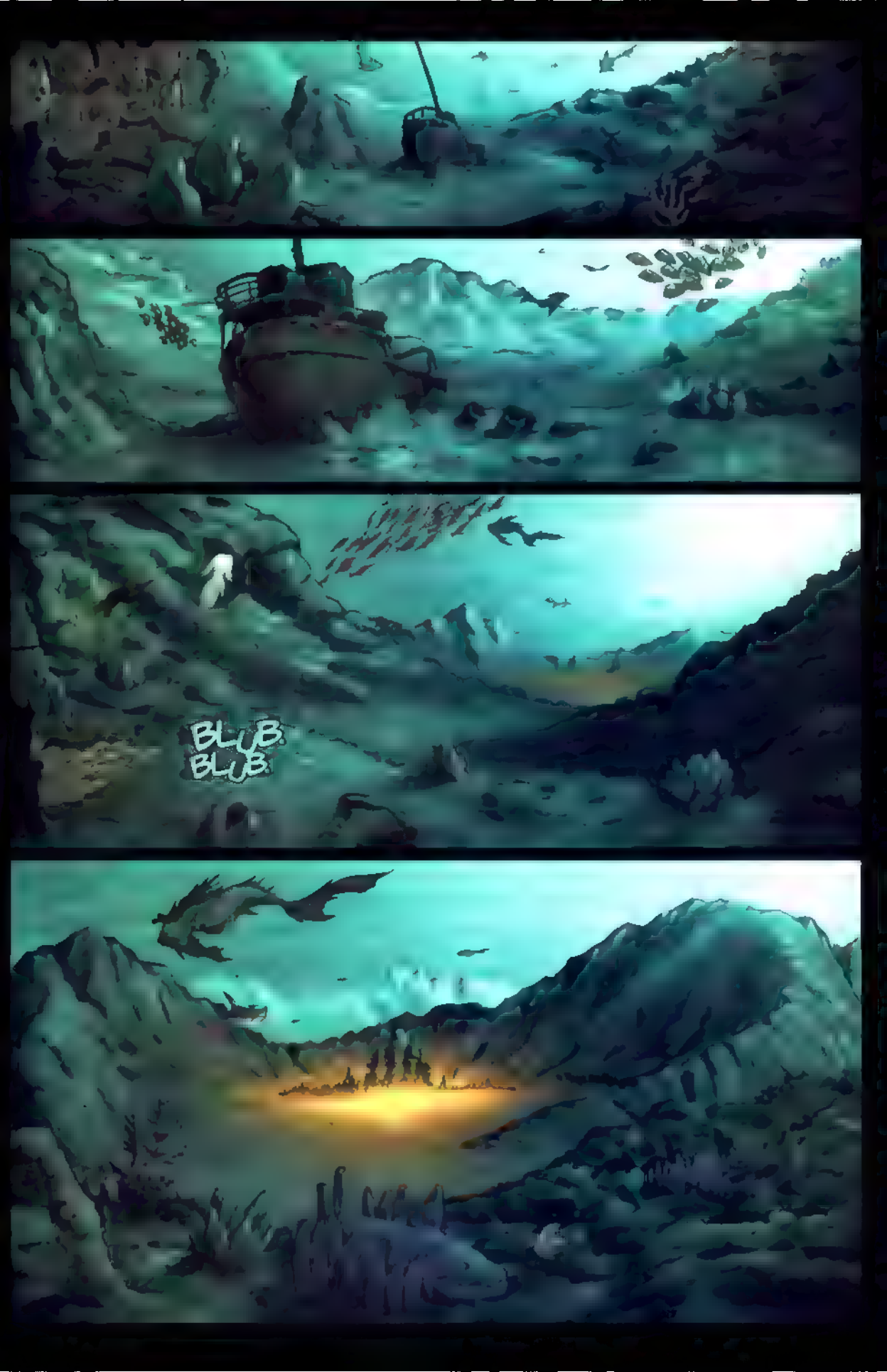
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OUR KING HAS RETURNED!
HAIL KING MER-MAN!
A GIFT FROM YOUR KING, TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOYALTY.
AHH! IT'S MINE! HE MEANT IT FOR ME!
NO! IT'S MINE!
IGNORANT BEASTS.. THEY FIGHT OVER UNWANTED SCRAPS...

SIRE, YOU'VE RETURNED. THIS MUST HAVE BEEN ONE OF YOUR SHORTEST EXPEDITIONS YET!
INDEED. THE SURFACE DWELLERS' CRAFTS HAVE BECOME EASIER AND EASIER TO RAVAGE.
THEY PUT UP LESS OF A FIGHT EVERY TIME.
THAT'S GOOD NEWS, SIRE. DO YOU THINK NEXT TIME YOU COULD LEAVE THIS POOR CREATURE BEHIND AND TAKE A MORE APPROPRIATE STEED? THIS ONE ISN'T MADE FOR SUCH LONG TRIPS
HOW DARE YOU!
THAT IS THE FASTEST STEED IN MY KINGDOM! I WOULDN'T SETTLE FOR A LESSER ANIMAL!
Y--YES, SIRE.

LEAVE ME. I DO NOT WISH TO BE DISTURBED I HAVE MUCH BUSINESS TO ATTEND TO
OF COURSE, SIR.
ZZZ
SIRE . THE EMISSARIES BRING NEWS OF THE OUTER BANK ..
YES! SEND THEM IN!

YOUR MAJESTY, WE BR NG NEWS OF THE--
YES, I KNOW... COME IN.
ON OUR EXPEDITION TO THE OUTER BANK WE SEEM TO HAVE ENCOUNTERED A POCKET CIVILIZATION THAT IS FREE OF YOUR INFLUENCE.
IN FACT, IT SEEMS AS THOUGH THEY ARE NOT AWARE THAT YOU RULE THE OCEANS AND EVERYTHING IN THEM ..
WHAT?

I'LL NOT STAND FOR THIS!
NO ONE WILL BE FREE OF MY RULE! THEY'LL SUBMIT LIKE ALL THE OTHERS!
I'LL DEAL WITH THESE PEOPLE MYSELF!
TELL MY SOLDIERS TO MEET ME IN THE STABLES AT ONCE!
YES, SIR!

. BUT, MY LORD! THEY COULDN'T POSSIBLY GO BACK OUT! THEY'VE HAD NO REST!
YOU WILL BRING ME MY STEED AT ONCE!
UNDERSTOOD?
YES, SIRE
ONWARD!

STAY SHARP, MEN.

GOOD DAY, STRANGERS. WHAT BRINGS YOU TO OUR TOWN?
YOUR TOWN? THIS IS MY TOWN, SIMPLETON. BOW BEFORE YOUR KING!
I AM SORRY, BUT I DO NOT UNDERSTAND WHAT IT IS YOU WISH ME TO DO.
I SAID BOW! HOW DARE YOU DEFY MY ORDERS!
THWACK!

WE ARE UNDER ATTACK!
LOWER YOUR WEAPON, PEASANT, UNLESS YOU WISH TO SHARE HIS FATE!
I AM AQUARUS, THE SWORN DEFENDER OF THIS PLACE! HOW DARE YOU GIVE ME ORDERS!
I'LL NOT LOWER MY WEAPON UNTIL YOU LOWER YOURS!
I AM THE SUPREME RULER OF ALL THE OCEANS OF ETERNIA. YOU WILL SUBMIT TO ME NOW AND LAY DOWN YOUR WEAPON
NEVER.
WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?

LAANK!
ATTACK!

=GASP=

THONK!
THUD!
ATTACK, YOU FOOLS!

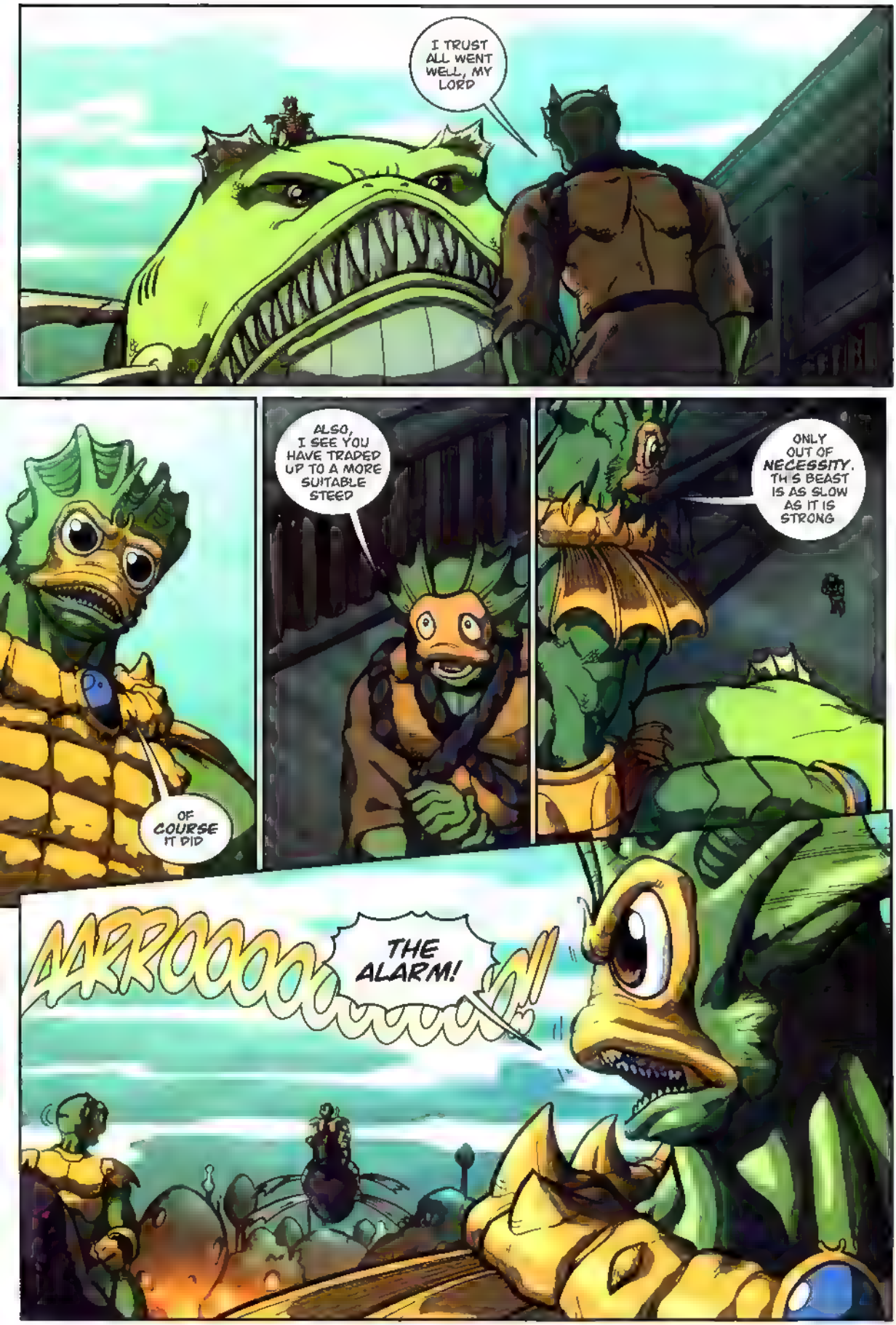
ARE YOU CALLING MORE BEASTS TO FIGHT YOUR BATTLES FOR YOU?!
KRAK!

THOOM!
OUR BATTLES ARE ONE AND THE SAME. THE CREATURES OF THE OCEAN ARE OUR COMPANIONS AND ALLIES.
I ALONE HAVE THE RIGHT TO COMMAND OCEAN LIFE!
CRACK!
DOOM!
WE MAY SHARE THE SAME ABILITIES, BUT YOU DO NOT TREAT YOUR PEOPLE WITH RESPECT. EVEN NOW THEY WANT TO TURN ON YOU...
YOU ASSUME TOO MUCH!

POW!
BOOM!
NOW, WITNESS MY TRUE POWER!
LET THE SLAUGHTER BEGIN!

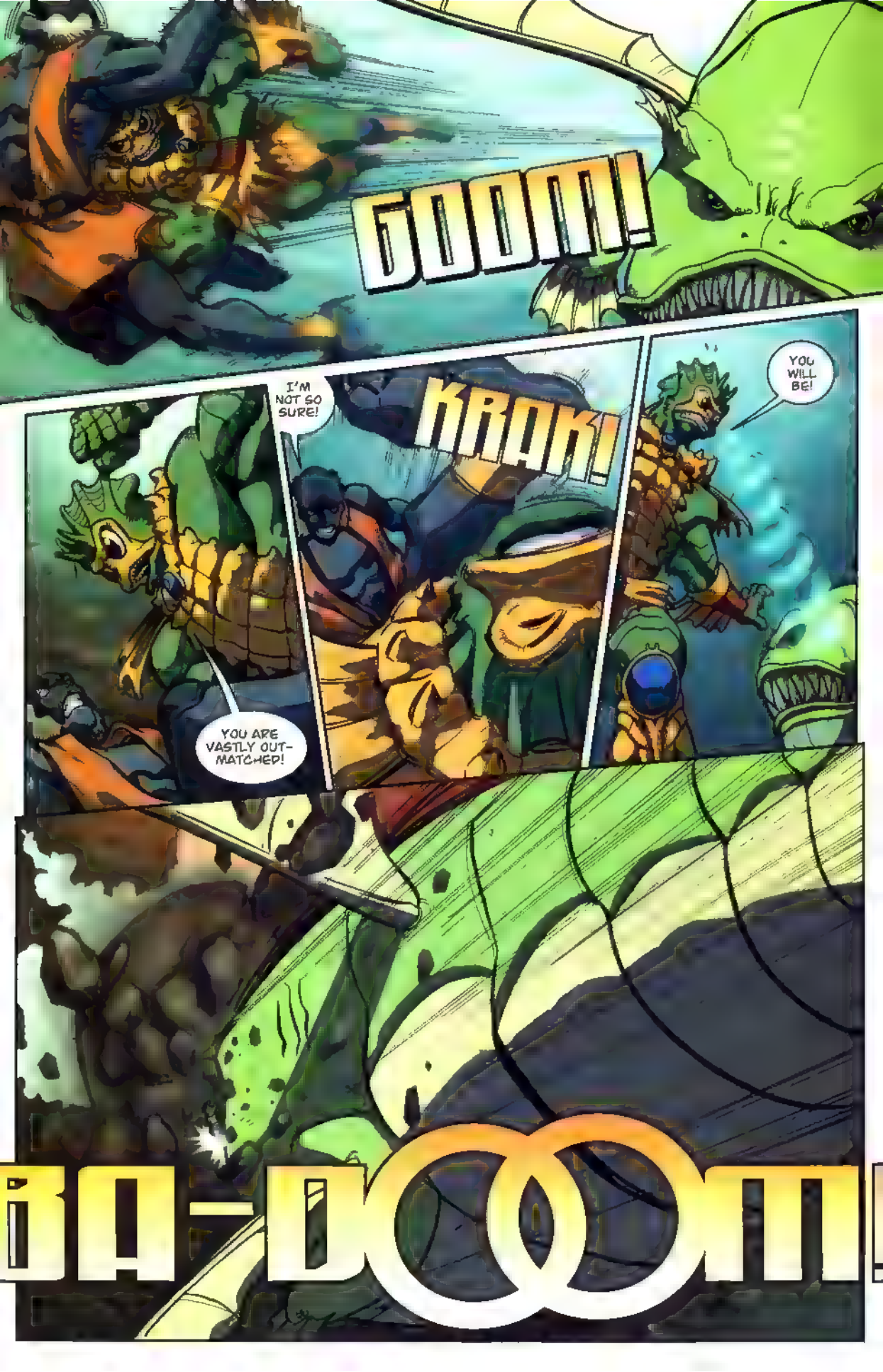
SKRA-GOOOM!
THR-SHOOM!
COME.

WE'RE THROUGH HERE. THEY'VE LEARNED THEIR LESSON. WE'LL LEAVE THEM TO REBUILD AND LATER I'LL SEND SOME EMISSARIES HERE TO TAKE OVER.
GATHER THE REST OF THE TROOPS. WE'RE GOING HOME.
NOW... WE REBUILD.
NO. GO INTO THE CAVERNS AND GATHER THE REST OF OUR PEOPLE.
THIS BATTLE IS FAR FROM OVER


I TRUST ALL WENT WELL, MY LORD
OF COURSE IT DID
ALSO, I SEE YOU HAVE TRADED UP TO A MORE SUITABLE STEED
ONLY OUT OF NECESSITY. THIS BEAST IS AS SLOW AS IT IS STRONG
AARRGGG

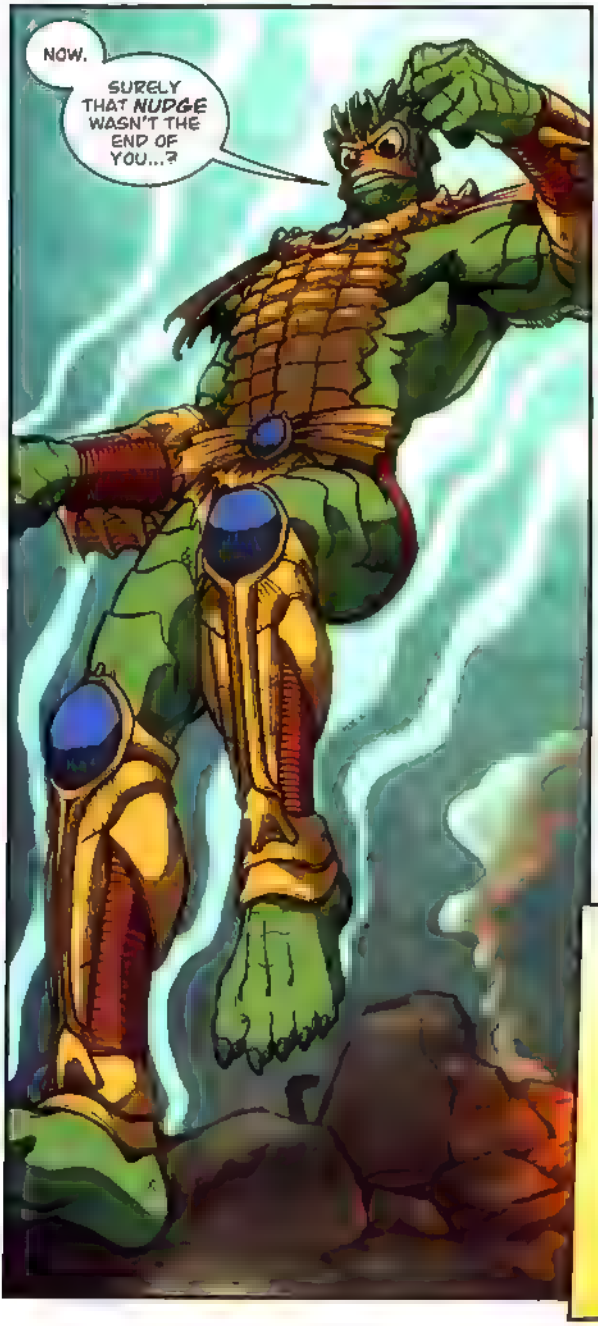
OOOOOOOOOOO!!AARROOOOOOOOOOO!!AARROOOOOOOOOOO!!AARROOOOOOOOOOO!!AARRO

GATHER THE TROOPS! WE'RE BEING INVADED!
YES, SIR. AT ONCE!
AQUARUS!


BOOM!
KRAK!
I'M NOT SO SURE!
YOU WILL BE!
YOU ARE VASTLY OUT-MATCHED!
BA-BOOM!

GO ASSIST MY TROOPS .

...I THINK YOU'VE SOFTENED HIM UP ENOUGH


NOW.
SURELY THAT NUDGE WASN'T THE END OF YOU...?

GAH!

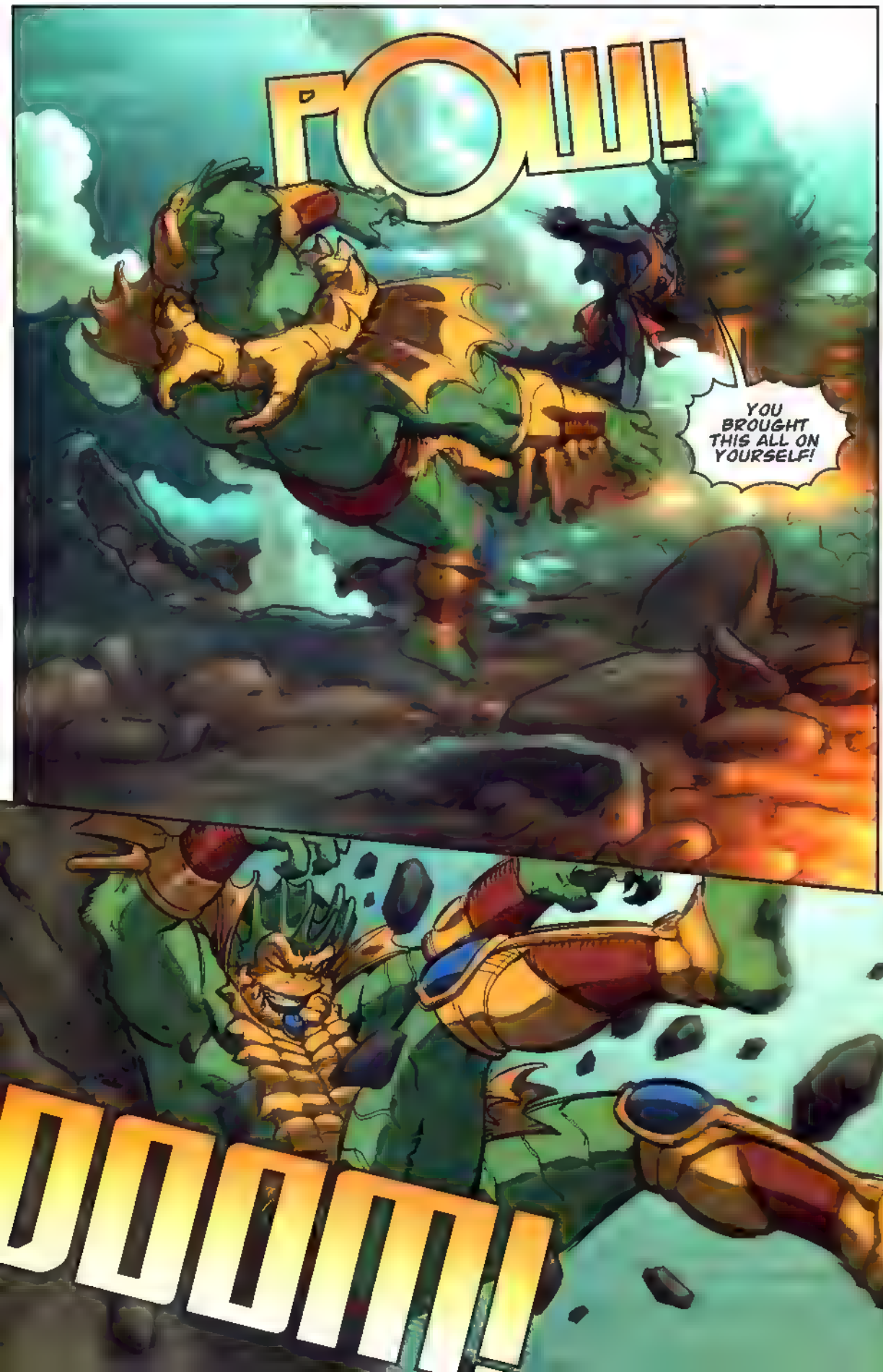
YOU ARE ALL BUT DEFEATED, MER-MAN!
BOOM!!

GASP!
NO!
RUN! NOW! I CAN'T HOLD IT FOR LONG!
NOR DO YOU HAVE TO!

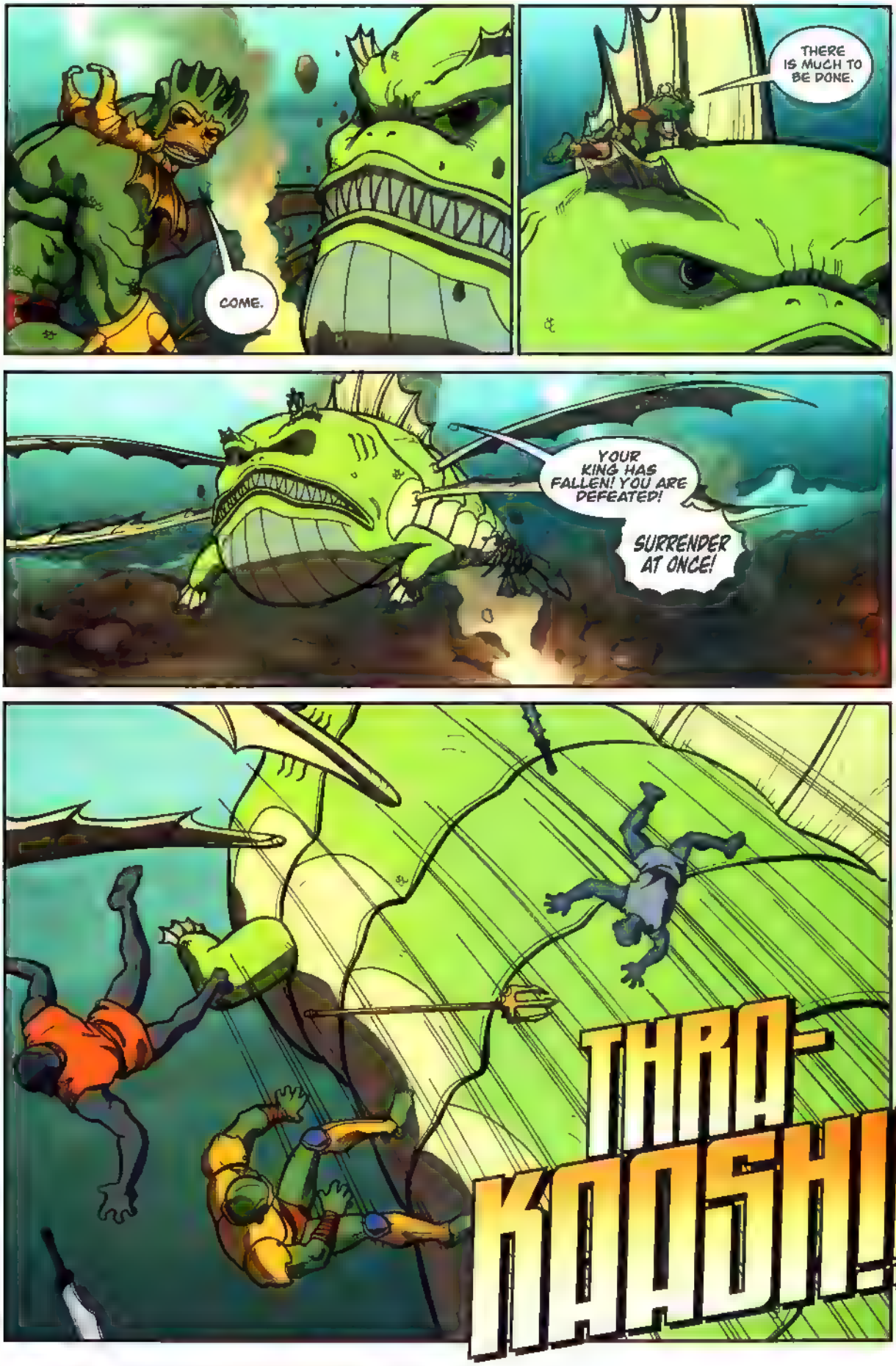
DOOM!
YOU'VE GOT NO CHANCE OF WINNING THIS BATTLE!
IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME!
THE OCEAN LIFE YOU ONCE COMMANDED HAS REVOLTED AND JOINED OUR SIDE. AS YOUR RANK LESSENS, OURS GROWS.

NEVER!

YOU PATHETIC FOOL!
THUMP!


POW!
YOU BROUGHT THIS ALL ON YOURSELF!
DOOM!

WE WERE CONTENT TO LIVE OUT OUR LIVES IN PEACE. WE COULDN'T CARE LESS ABOUT YOUR CIVILIZATION.
YOU CAME TO US!
YOU ATTACKED US!
NOW YOU'VE ALL BUT LOST YOUR KINGDOM. YOUR SOLDIERS ARE GROWING TIRED, AND THE OCEAN LIFE YOU ONCE COMMANDED HAS ALL TAKEN MY SIDE IN THIS BATTLE ..
NOT ALL OF THEM.


COME.
THERE IS MUCH TO BE DONE.
YOUR KING HAS FALLEN! YOU ARE DEFEATED!
SURRENDER AT ONCE!
THRA-KADSH!

THEY ARE RETREATING! KING MER-MAN DROVE THEM AWAY!
ALL HAIL KING MER-MAN!
DID YOU HEAR THAT, SIRE? VICTORY IS OURS!
THEY'RE RETREATING! YOUR KINGDOM IS...
..

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YOU WILL FOLLOW ME AS YOU FOLLOWED KELDOR.
WE ARE ONE AND THE SAME.

YOUR INJURIES DON'T STOP AT THE BONE, "SKELETOR" YOU'RE NOT THE MAN I FOLLOWED! YOU HAVE BECOME IRRATIONAL... FLAWED... YOU'RE NO LONGER FIT TO LEAD!
THEN WHO SHALL TAKE MY PLACE?
YOU?
KRONIS, YOUR IDIOCY AMUSES ME.
GO AHEAD AND MOCK ME
IT'LL BE THE LAST THING YOU DO
REALLY?

I DON'T THINK YOU REALIZE THE SITUATION OUT THERE. IN YOUR TIME BEHIND THE WALLS OF SNAKE MOUNTAIN YOU'VE GROWN SOFT
SINCE THAT ACCURSED MYSTIC WALL WAS ERECTED, THE DARK HALF OF ETERNIA HAS BEEN THROWN INTO CHAOS
TRADE ROUTES HAVE BEEN CUT OFF, AND FOOD SUPPLIES ARE SCARCE. THE DARK HEMISPHERE IS BEING RAVAGED BY WAR -- EVEN MORE SO THAN BEFORE
SNAKE MOUNTAIN ITSELF IS UNDER CONSTANT ATTACK, YET YOU TRIVIALIZE THE MATTERS AT HAND WITH THIS PETTY DISPUTE.
YOU MAKE ME SICK.
I HAVE HAD ENOUGH!
IF YOU THINK I WILL ALLOW MYSELF TO BE TALKED TO IN--

WOOOSH!
THOOM!
TAKE HIM OUT OF MY SIGHT HE IS NO LONGER WELCOME HERE
WE'LL SEE HOW LONG HE LASTS ON HIS OWN, WITHOUT THE PROTECTION OF SNAKE MOUNTAIN.

UFF.
THUD!
SLAM!

UGH.

YOU HAVEN'T SEEN THE LAST OF ME, SKELETOR

EH?
ATTACK!

KRAK!
KHOOM!
FOOLS!
DO YOU KNOW WHO I AM?

YOU ARE A TRESPASSER IN OUR TERRITORY.
A SOON TO BE DEAD TRESPASSER
I DISAGREE.
THUMP!
BOOM!

KRAKK
THIS IS MY TERRITORY NOW YOU AND ALL YOUR MEN TAKE ORDERS FROM ME
Y--YES SIR

QUICKLY, WHILE THEY ARE ASLEEP
THERE.
THE ONE WITH THE EXTRA GUARDS.
THAT IS THE GENERAL'S TENT.

KRAK
MMMPH!
QUICKLY, FOLLOW ME
HUH?
GASP!
HAWAAAANK!

I HAVE SOUGHT YOU OUT BECAUSE YOUR GENERAL IS KNOWN TO BE A *TYRANT*. LEADING YOU INTO BATTLES WITH LITTLE OR NO REST, COSTING MANY OF YOU YOUR LIVES. *HIS* REIGN OF *TERROR* IS OVER
I AM KRONIS. YOU FOLLOW *ME* NOW. YOU ARE *MY* ARMY. I PROMISE YOU GUARANTEED VICTORY OVER ALL YOU FACE, AND CONTINUED FOOD AND SHELTER.
CHOOSE *NOT* TO FOLLOW ME, AND YOU WILL *DIE* LIKE YOUR GENERAL!
HAIL, KRONIS!

THESE ARE SAVAGE TIMES. IT IS HARD TO MAKE IT ON YOUR OWN. FOOD IS SCARCE, AND WAR IS CONSTANT. WE LIVE LIVES OF CONSTANT BATTLE.
I OFFER YOU PROTECTION AND PURPOSE . OR DEATH. THE CHOICE IS YOURS.

ONWARD! CONQUEST LIES AHEAD!

ANY WORD ON WHERE THE CENTAURAN TRIBES ARE CURRENTLY LOCATED?
OUR SCOUTS HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO LOCATE THEM, MY LORD.
WHY DO YOU ASK?
ASIDE FROM TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THEIR UNIQUE ABILITIES?
TO DEFEAT THEM AND ADD THEIR RANK TO OUR OWN. OUR GOAL IS TO AMASS AN ARMY OF EPIC PROPORTIONS..
...IT IS A GOAL THAT WILL SOON BE REACHED

WHAT NEXT?

YOU COMMAND THE LARGEST ARMY THIS SIDE OF THE SEA OF RAKASH.
THERE IS NO ONE LEFT IN THIS AREA TO BATTLE.
NOBODY WANTS TO FACE US
YOUR ARMY IS THE LARGEST IN THIS PART OF THE HEMISPHERE YOU HAVE SUCCEEDED IN YOUR GOAL, NOW I ASK. .
...WHAT NEXT?

WHY DO YOU WORRY ABOUT MY BUSINESS?
YOU DO NOT NEED TO KNOW WHERE WE ARE GOING OR WHO WE WILL BE FIGHTING.
I WILL DECIDE WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW AND WHEN.
OUR STRENGTH IS UNMATCHED, OUR ARMY IS UNBEATABLE... THERE IS ONLY ONE PLACE LEFT FOR US TO CONQUER.

...SNAKE MOUNTAIN!
SORRY FOR THE INTRUSION, SKELETOR

WE'RE JUST FINISHING UP HERE. WHAT IS IT?
QUICKLY, MY PATIENCE RUNS SHORT
MY DOOMSEEKERS HAVE CONFIRMED REPORTS OF THE MASSIVE ARMY KRONIS HAS FORMED
IT APPEARS THEY ARE ON THE MARCH.
KRONIS?! KRONIS HAS FORMED AN ARMY?!
HA-HA-HA!
TELL ME--WHERE ARE THEY HEADED?
UM, IT UH--APPEARS THEY ARE HEADED THIS WAY.
AT THEIR CURRENT SPEED, THEY WILL BE HERE IN LESS THAN A WEEK.
VZAATCH!

ATTACK!!

SPLACKT!!
RAASH!!

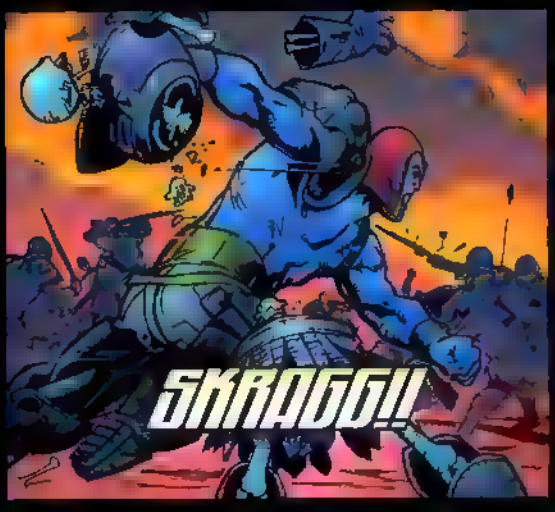
BOOM!!

BOOM!!

KRAK!
DOOM!
POW!
BA-BOOM!
SKELETOR!

DOOM!

MOVE!!


SKRAGG!!

SKELETOR!
I'VE WAITED A LONG TIME FOR THIS!
YOU'RE THE FIRST PERSON I'VE MET WHO SO LOOKED FORWARD TO DEATH!
THE ONLY DEATH I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IS YOURS!
DOOM!

DOOM!
TODAY YOU DIE!
KRAK!
VZZAAC!
AARGGH!
KILL... YOU...
YOU CAN TRY.

VZZAAATCH!

TELL ME AGAIN, DEAR KRONIS WHO IS GOING TO DIE TODAY?
KRAK!!
YOU!!
YOU DON'T KNOW WHEN TO QUIT!

THA-DOOM!

THUD!
Thap!
IT'S OVER, KRONIS.
SEE HOW YOUR PITIFUL ARMY WILL SOON FALL AS EASILY TO MY FORCES AS YOU FELL TO ME.
THEIR NUMBERS DWINDLE, MOST HAVE ALREADY RETREATED. YOU HAVE FAILED AND IT WILL COST YOU YOUR LIFE!

WHAT'S THIS?
YOU NOW BEG FOR MERCY? ARE YOU SO AFRAID OF DEATH, KRONIS?
YOU'VE PROVEN THAT YOU CAN BE AN ASSET TO ME. I NEVER WOULD HAVE DREAMED THAT YOU COULD HAVE AMASSED SUCH A LARGE ARMY YOU HAVE IMPRESSED ME AND FOR THAT...
.. YOU WILL BE SPARED.
SKELETOR.

..KRONIS' ARMY IS DEFEATED
EXCELLENT.
I'LL CLEAN UP ANY SURVIVORS. IN THE MEANTIME...
SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO WITH THAT MESS.

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU CHOSE THIS OVER DEATH.
I USED TO RESPECT YOU, KRONIS.

HOW COULD YOU COME BACK TO HIM AFTER WHAT HE DID TO YOU?
I NEVER KNEW YOU AS ONE TO BEG FOR YOUR LIFE...
I WASN'T BEGGING FOR MY LIFE I WAS TRYING TO STRANGLE HIM AS TO WHY I'M HERE NOW..
"KEEP YOUR FRIENDS CLOSE AND YOUR ENEMIES CLOSER."
OH, AND EVIL LYN...
OH, NEVER MIND.

KRUNK!
...IT'S TRAPJAW NOW.

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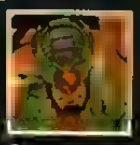

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HALT!
YOU BUILD WEAPONS FOR OUR ENEMY, STRANGER! FOR THAT YOU DIE!
NO! PLEASE!

STEP AWAY FROM HIM!

ARRGH!
SHLUNK!!
WHO'S NEXT?
YOU ARE!
KHOOM!
SHLAKT!

RAHH!
FA-FOOSH!
THUD!

KRACK!
WHACK!
SHUFF
SHUFF
OH, MY... HE'S BLINDED YOU. I RECOGNIZE THAT SPELL. WE MUST ACT QUICKLY BEFORE IT SPREADS.
I THINK I MIGHT HAVE SOMETHING IN HERE THAT WILL DO UNTIL WE GET BACK TO MY TOWER. WE MUST CONTAIN THE MAGIC...
I CAN HELP YOU... AND YOU CAN HELP ME.

YEARS LATER.
IT'S LIKE NOTHING I'VE EVER SEEN BEFORE...

ALONE, IN A VIRTUAL WASTELAND...
...A SOURCE OF IMMENSE TECHNOLOGY AND POWER...
...OF COMPLETELY UNKNOWN ORIGIN.
...RIPE FOR THE TAKING.
IT MUST BE MINE!

WHY MUST WE RISK EVERYTHING YOU HAVE BUILT FOR TECHNOLOGY YOU ALREADY HAVE? I COULD STUDY THIS PLACE FROM AFAR... PROVIDE YOU WITH REPLICAS OF HIS DRONES, POSSIBLY MORE.
YOUR GRASP OF ALL THINGS TECHNOLOGICAL IS LAUGHABLE AT BEST. WITH THE TOWERS RESOURCES I WILL BECOME UNSTOPPABLE. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY I CANNOT IGNORE.
EVERYTHING AT MY DISPOSAL WILL BE USED TO ACCOMPLISH THIS OBJECTIVE. ALL MY FORCES WILL ACCOMPANY US.
TRUST ME.
ONE WAY OR ANOTHER...

...ITS POWER WILL BE MINE!

NOW. GATHER THE TROOPS! WE LEAVE AT ONCE!
YES, SIR! RIGHT AWAY!
BEAST MAN.
HERE IS YOUR CHANCE TO PROVE YOUR USEFULNESS.
NOW COME. WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK AHEAD OF US.

HERE WE ARE.

NOW WHAT?
SHUNT!
SKROOM!
WE KNOCK.
FOLLOW ME.
VMMMM!

BOOM!

ATTACK!!
THRAKKA-BOOM!

QUICKLY, FIRE NOW!
YES SIR!
THOOM!

WE'VE GOT TO SHUT DOWN THE POWER SOURCE FOR THESE THINGS!
I'LL PUT A STOP TO THIS!
FOLLOW ME!!
SHUNT!
SKRAGG!
THOOM!
SVACT!!
SVACT!!

THOOM!!!
VZACKT!
DOOM!
VZACKT!
VZACKT!
AARGH!

SURAACT!
IMPRESSIVE LITTLE TOYS.
VZAP!
VZAP!
VZAP!
VZAP!
VZAP!
VZAP!
SHHHKK
WHA--?!
WELCOME.
CAN I ASSUME YOU'RE HERE TO CLAIM MY WEAPONS TECHNOLOGY AS YOUR OWN?
YOU'RE NOT THE FIRST TO ATTEMPT THIS, YOU KNOW.
I PROMISE I'LL BE THE LAST.

LOOKS LIKE THIS WON'T BE SO EASY, EH?

I GUESS YOU WEREN'T EXPECTING MY SWORDSMAN. I NEED TO KEEP SOME FLESH AND BLOOD AROUND THIS PLACE.
HE HAS HELPED ME QUITE A BIT OVER THE YEARS. THOUGH HE CAN'T SEE, I ASSURE YOU THAT YOU'LL FIND HIS SKILL WITH A SWORD TO BE FAR GREATER THAN YOUR OWN.
KLAK!
I DO NOT RELY SOLELY ON MY BLADE.
GOOD FOR HIM!
SVAACT!

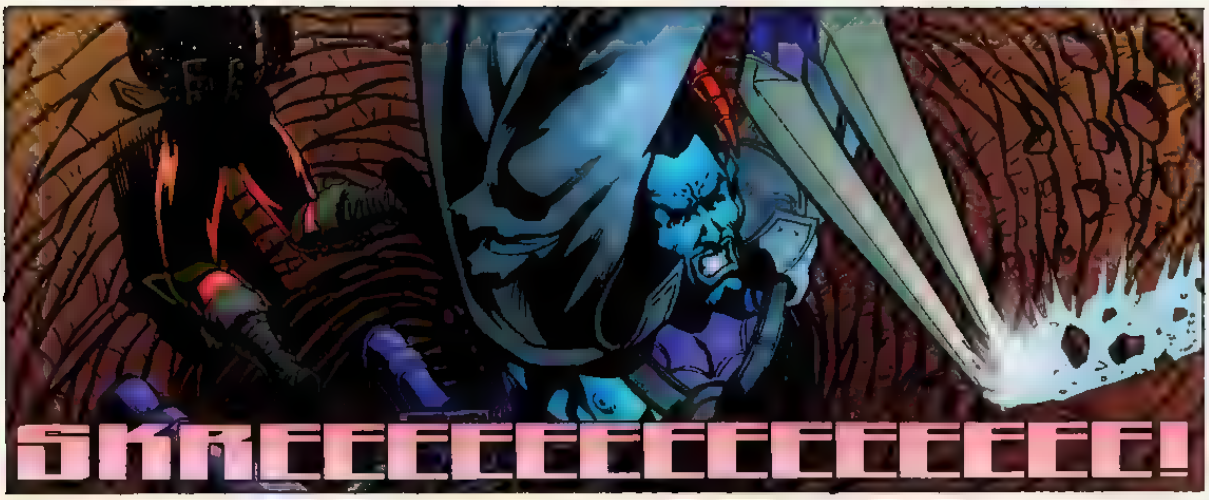
GRRR!!
CLANGG!
SWASH!
LOOKS LIKE FIRST BLOOD BELONGS TO MY SWORDSMAN.
ARE YOU WILLING TO DIE OVER THIS?

NO.
IS HE?
SVACK!
BOOM!

NOW YOU DIE!
NO, NOT RIGHT NOW...
KRAK!
THUD!
...AND NOT BY YOUR HAND.
I WAS BEGINNING TO THINK YOU WERE MUTE AS WELL AS BLIND...

I DO MOST OF MY TALKING WITH MY SWORD!
KLANGG!
KLINK!
KLANK!
KLUNK!
SWISH!
THUNK!
I'VE SEEN ENOUGH.
SWORDSMAN, STAND BACK!

FWUMP!


SKREEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE!

THUNK!
THUNK!

CLANGG!

SKREEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE!

THUNK!
THUNK!
CLANGG!
SPLISH!
SPLOOSH!

FOOSH!
SO... WHERE WERE WE?
I BELIEVE I WAS ABOUT TO KILL YOU.
NO, THAT'S NOT IT.
KLAANGG!

VZAACKT!!
NO! THE MAGIC MUST BE CONTAINED!
DID YOU SAY...
...CONTAINED?
THAT'S WHAT HE TOLD YOU... ISN'T IT?
OF COURSE! HE WANTED YOU TO THINK HE HAD SAVED YOU... HE WANTED YOU TO OWE HIM... TO SERVE HIM...
IT'S NOT A BAD IDEA, REALLY... YOU ARE QUITE USEFUL WITH THAT SWORD.
SWORDSMAN... YOU HAVE BEEN DECEIVED.

LIES!!

NO! I RECOGNIZE THE SPELL CAST ON YOU. IT IS ONLY TEMPORARY AND WOULD HAVE DISSIPATED IN A MATTER OF DAYS... HAD IT NOT BEEN... CONTAINED!
WATCH AS I CAST IT AWAY.

NO!

BELIEVE ME, IT WOULD TAKE CENTURIES FOR THAT SPELL TO COMPLETELY ROB YOU OF YOUR VISION! OPEN YOUR EYES!! SEE!

NO...

YOUR SIGHT IS DAMAGED... BEYOND REPAIR... BUT IT IS THERE... YOU CAN SEE, IF ONLY PARTIALLY.
WITH YOUR MASTER'S TECHNOLOGY AND MY MAGIC, I COULD BUILD SOMETHING THAT COULD AID YOUR SIGHT, IMPROVE IT GREATLY...
YOU HAVE BEEN LIED TO, AND WEAKENED BY THIS WIZARD... JOIN ME... HELP ME DEFEAT HIM, AND IN RETURN FOR YOUR SERVITUDE, I WILL REPAIR THE DAMAGE HE HAS DONE.
CAN YOUR MAGIC GET US OUT OF HERE?
YES.
THEN DO IT.

SWATCHOOM!
WAIT... WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
SWASH!

SHOW ME HOW TO DISENGAGE YOUR DEFENSE SYSTEMS. THEN... AFTER MY MEN HAVE CLEARED OUT EVERYTHING WE WANT...

...YOU CAN BURN THIS PLACE TO THE GROUND.

MONTHS LATER...
I THINK THAT DOES IT, TRI-KLOPS.
HOW DOES IT WORK?
BETTER THAN I COULD HAVE EVER IMAGINED.

WITH THAT VISOR YOU HAVE ABILITIES FAR BEYOND THAT OF A NORMAL MAN. YOU'VE GOT INFRA-RED VISION, GAMMA VISION, AND ALL KINDS OF EXTRA FEATURES, INCLUDING OPTICAL ENERGY BLASTS.
WE USED TECHNOLOGY COMBINED WITH OUR MAGIC TO ENHANCE YOUR ARMOR, AS WELL. THUS MAKING IT INVULNERABLE TO ALMOST ANY ATTACK OR BLAST.
IT'S AMAZING, AND IT TOOK YOU ALMOST *NO TIME* TO BUILD!
TELL KELDOR I AM VERY PLEASED.
WELL, I'LL LEAVE YOU TO ENJOY YOUR NEWFOUND ABILITIES...

OVERLY TRUSTING FOOL! I RECOGNIZED THAT SPELL... IT WOULD HAVE CONTINUED TO ROB HIM OF HIS SENSES HAD IT NOT BEEN CONTAINED AND I NOT CAST IT AWAY.
LITTLE DOES HE REALIZE THAT I DID LITTLE MORE THAN ADD SOME MINOR MAGICAL ENHANCEMENTS TO HIS VISOR, MAINLY THERE TO KEEP HIM SUBSERVIENT.
THAT TECHNOLOGICAL MARVEL WAS AMONG THE DEVICES WE TOOK FROM THE TOWER. THE WIZARD HAD BEEN DEVISING SOME WAY TO CONTAIN THE MAGIC AS WELL AS ALLOW HIM TO SEE. THE ONE MOST RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS NEWFOUND SIGHT IS THE VERY MAN HE BETRAYED!
NOW HE SERVES ME... UNQUESTIONED!